

HOUSE RESOLUTION 19
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A RESOLUTION to continue the Special Committee created by House Resolution No. 162 of the 99th General Assembly to examine the usage and effects of the drug ritalin and other amphetamines.

WHEREAS, the welfare of Tennessee demands that government take an active role in monitoring issues relating to the health of this state's most treasured resource: our children; and

WHEREAS, in response to the fact that hyperactivity and attention deficit disorders are being diagnosed and treated at unprecedented levels by the medical profession, and that no state law currently addresses this area of medical health, House Resolution No. 162 of the 99th General Assembly created a special committee to examine the usage and effects of the drug ritalin and other amphetamines; and

WHEREAS, due to factors largely beyond committee members' control, the committee has not been able to completely discharge the responsibilities before it; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That the Special Committee created by House Resolution No. 162 of the 99th General Assembly to examine the usage and effects of the drug ritalin and other amphetamines, is hereby continued for a period of one (1) year.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Special Committee shall be convened by the primary sponsor of House Resolution No. 162 of the 99th General Assembly; and its membership shall be composed as originally appointed in accordance with the resolution; provided, however, legislative members of the committee must be duly elected members of the 100th General Assembly in order to retain their membership on such committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That vacancies on the Special Committee shall be filled by the original appointing authority as established by House Resolution No. 162 of the 99th General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all legislative members of the Special Committee who are duly elected members of the 100th General Assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly and shall be paid as members of the General Assembly are paid for attending legislative meetings as provided in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Special Committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation or reports, to the One-Hundredth General Assembly no later than February 1, 1998, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.